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General Telegraphic News

Salisbury's Serious Illness Reported and Denied.

N. P. & G. N. Railways Cut Rates.

Commandant Prinsloo Captured.

The Deloit Case

Winnipeg, April 1. '01.
London, March 31.—The Weekly Despatch reports the story published in the Daily Express of Saturday that Lord Salisbury is suffering from a kidney affection which is likely to incapacitate him some time and says he fears that the premier's illness has taken an unfavorable turn that his proposed visit to the Riviera is now almost hopeless and the announcement of his resignation of the premiership and his retirement from political life may be anticipated before the end of April. The Despatch adds: "The doctors have pronounced Lord Salisbury to be suffering from Bright's disease in an aggravated form that a grave turn is being taken of the case. Lord Salisbury is so anxious to prevent the disclosure of his illness from being made public that none of the eminent specialists called in are allowed to sign a resolution that a bulletin sanctioned by a doctor has been issued. The premier's condition suddenly became so grave a week ago that Sir Richard Douglas Powell, Dr. Walker and other physicians were hastily summoned in order to avert a crisis. A special prescription was made up the application of which checked the approaching complications, but the premier's condition for the last two or three has disappointed all the medical men. One of the earliest callers on Saturday was a special messenger from the King. The family last evening expressed a hope that Lord Salisbury might make the journey to the Riviera, but the physicians are loath to express an opinion except in so far as forbidding any definite arrangements to be made for the present."

The Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways have heavily cut rates to Pacific points.

London, March 31.—A special despatch from Standerton says the Imperial Light Horse have captured Commandant Prinsloo and a convoy of 28 wagons. Commandant Englebrecht, the despatch says, has surrendered. The British are sweeping the Eastern Transvaal clear of everything useful to the Boers. All standing crops have been destroyed, but the women and children are being cared for. Five hundred of them have been conveyed to Utrecht, where their wants will be attended to.

A decision has been reached in the solicited Deloit case by the supreme court of Montreal. The civil marriage is declared legal.

Edmund Reed, the actor, is dead. Floods are doing much damage at Ingersoll, Ont.

The reduction in Yukon royalty comes into effect on April 17th.

The Canadian patriotic fund now amounts to \$38,000.

Next year twenty million pounds must be raised in Britain by fresh taxation.

The revenue of the United Kingdom for the year was £149,018,000.

Earthquake shocks were felt in Italy, Constantinople and Odessa.

Eighteen thousand Galician laborers have emigrated into Germany.

A conference on Newfoundland fishing was held at the colonial office, London.

Noah Rals, of New Brunswick, N.Y., will celebrate to-day his 129th birthday.

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Twenty thousand persons participated in an anti-clerical demonstration in Barcelona.

A number of United States army promotions have been gazetted including Gen. Funstons.

The daily of Major Andre, hidden for a hundred years in England, has been discovered.

Queen Alexandra replied to an address at Copenhagen, presented by 500 Danish societies.

Oxford won the annual race on the Thames, defeating Cambridge by two-fifths of a length.

The steamer Tunisian reached Port Credit with 4,110 passengers, the largest in the port's record.

Section men found a man lying in a dying condition on the C. P. R. track near Melbourne, Man.

The young ladies of Dayton, Ohio, edited one of the daily papers and sold the issue on the streets.

Mrs. Cummings, of Souris district, received fatal injuries by the accidental discharge of a gun.

Benjamin Newcomer, one of Baitling's wealthiest men, died leaving a fortune of \$10,000,000.

The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad have leased the Davao, Rock Island & Northwestern.

John Jessor, provincial immigration agent of Victoria, B. C., one of the early pioneers of the coast, is dead.

Britain's policy in China is said to be of a drifting nature and will not result in anything practical to the empire.

The body of John Knox, of Quebec, who was lynched by a mob at Scranton, Miss., three weeks ago, was first ridged with bullets.

Representatives have sailed from London for America to discuss the part the United States people will take in the Chinese revolution.

At Cape Coast Castle, West Africa, 300 deserters from a regiment marching to a town and fears of looting are prevalent.

The Ottawa government will be asked to appear before the railway committee at Ottawa, Ont., to state their views on the Manitoba contracts.

A verdict in the Todd murder trial may be reached to-day. Among witnesses is the prisoner, who examined Saturday were Chas. Linklater, Chief McRae, and Flora McDonald.

Carberry, Man., April 1.—John Suddon, who mysteriously disappeared from Woodstock two weeks ago, and whose dead body was believed to have been found after being partially devoured by wolves, has been turned to Treherne and it is now believed that he went east to Toronto and will soon return.

Gladstone, Man., April 1.—Spalding, the bank clerk accused of stealing five hundred dollars from the branch of the Merchants' Bank here, and who was arrested at Medicine Hat on his way to the coast, was brought back here last Friday. His case is remanded to April 6th, and he is out on one thousand dollar bail.

Winnipeg, Man., April 1.—A man whose name is supposed to be A. Scott was killed on the C. P. R. near Melbourne station yesterday. The body was horribly mutilated.

London, March 30.—The Daily Express story that Lord Salisbury is suffering from a kidney complaint which will incapacitate him from duty for a long period, is emphatically denied as utterly groundless. An official bulletin issued to-day said: "The attack of influenza is following its usual course. He is at present suffering from weakness consequent on the disease, but hopes to be ready to start for the Riviera in a few days."

Pretoria, March 30.—The Boers delayed and plundered a freight train near Johannesburg last night.

London, April 1.—The war office has received advice from Lord Kitchener, detailed Preston, March 30, reporting the capture of seventy-two Boers in the Orange River Colony, and officially announcing that General French has taken fifty-one prisoners and received the surrender of ninety-three Boers as already announced in press despatches. Lord Kitchener also reports upon recent wrecking of trains at Senica.

LOCAL.

—April Fool.
—Next Friday is "Good Friday."
—Ozone lake has been quarantined for small pox.

—The Pincher Creek district has been quarantined for small pox.

—J. D. Skinner, of the Lacombe Advertiser, was in town Friday.

—Edward Lewis, arrived from Nebraska, Friday to settle here.

—The Woman's Hospital Aid society met in the fire hall at 3 p.m. to-day.

—Wm. Ennes, of North Dakota, was a new settler arriving on Friday's train.

—Wheat is reported on the local market: 1 hard, 60c., 2 hard, 55c.; 3 hard, 50c.

—Thos. Irvine, formerly of the Post, has entered the employ of the Lacombe Advertiser.

—Ernest Roper, of Bittern lake, has been appointed a commissioner for taking affidavits.

—L. S. Qwanan, after six weeks incarceration, was released from the civic hospital, Saturday.

—Edward Keen, wife and one child, North Dakota, arrived Friday night to take up land in the district.

—Several cases of anthrax, that most dreaded of animal diseases, have been reported from the country.

—The last news from Moose Jaw states that Hitchcock has been declared elected by a majority of 15.

—Miss Mann came in from Sudie Lake Friday, and accompanied by her sister who has been visiting friends in town, leaves for home to-day.

—The first practice of the season for the fire brigade will be held on Thursday, April 11th, at 7 p. m., followed by the usual monthly meeting.

—Thos. Ryan, wife and four children, together with thirty-six head of horses and cattle and a number of carts of settler's effects, came in last week from the States, and have taken up land in the Vulcania country.

—WANTED.
Man to run a Masher, also man to run an Edger. Apply at Fraser & Co.'s Saw Mill.

—Another indication of the early advent of spring is furnished by the snakes, many of which have been seen on sunny banks during the past week.

—Battleford Herald: The epidemic at Onion lake is so far under control that no deaths have occurred in the town, nor any new cases developed during the past week.

—Small pox is reported from the half-breed colony at St. Paul de Metis. Two hundred vaccine goats were sent down to Dr. Aylon Saturday and he leaves for the settlement at once.

—The ship for distribution to the half-breeds in the north arrived by Friday's train. There are 378 cash serges and 38 land. These are not a new issue but simply part of those issued last year and which could not be delivered owing to the absence of the claimants in the north.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Bull for Sale.

A registered pedigree, Shorthorn bull for sale. Apply to

JAS. TOUGH,
Edmonton, P. O.

44 50p

JOHN LOGAN, Beaver Lake.

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Notice to Contractors.

Sold tenders will be received up to the 11th April for the brick and masonry, etc. required in the construction of the Presbyterian church, Edmonton. Plans and specifications to be sent and information obtained at the office of the undersigned.

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PARLIAMENT

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the close of the present year we shall be able to show another surplus amounting to \$6,350,000.

DEBT STATEMENT FOR FOUR YEARS	
1896-7.	Increase, Decrease.
1897-8.	83,041,163
1898-9.	2,417,802
1899-1900.	2,317,047
	\$779,639
	81,776,012
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Total increase in four years.	\$6,996,373
Average increase for four years.	1,749,693
Average increase for 18 years, 1878-1899.	5,563,075

NEXT YEAR.

With regard to the next fiscal year, I am sure it is too early to attempt to make anything like a close estimate. I have already submitted to parliament estimates on account of consolidated fund amounting to \$44,102,323.60, and on account of consolidated fund \$6,350,000, making a total of \$50,352,323.60, including both capital and consolidated fund. We have supplementary estimates yet to come which make considerable additions to these appropriations, and these are special expenditures likely to come up in the next year of which we must take note. We have to provide in addition to consolidated fund, \$1,000,000.00, and \$100,000.00, for railway studies and so forth for a very considerable sum in the shape of bonds on iron and steel.

IRON BONDS.

Hitherto these bonds have not in any one year amounted to any very great sum. We know the amount of money that is to be paid per ton, but the quantity that will be paid is of course not known, and the duty collected, we will find that the proportion of duty in 1896 on all imports for home consumption was 18.38, and by the same standard for 1900, it was 18.98, making a difference of 2.30 or 1.8 of the whole duty.

But there is a point concerning which we have occasionally had a discussion with regard to the imports of corn. The amount of corn exported and thus try to obtain a comparison with the former condition of affairs and make allowances in this for the portion of the corn which increased the value of our exports, when in fact it was sent abroad and did not enter into home consumption. Making allowances for that, we will find that the average rate for last year was 15.98 but 16.43 for 1900, so that the average rate of duty remaining in operation and being applied on the imports of last year, the duty levied would have been larger to the extent of \$3,392,230. In other words, if the old tariff had been in operation last year, it would have levied and taken from the pockets of the people \$3,230,230 more than was taken by the tariff of the present government.

TRADE RETURNS.

The aggregate foreign trade of the year 1899 was \$281,517,226, in the previous year it was \$231,661,213. The increase in the aggregate foreign trade of Canada over the previous year was \$50,856,000, which we must remind the house that in one year only of the present administration the increase was over \$80,000,000, and that in the next, gentlemen will be able to measure the vast progress that has been made in trade of the country. The following summary is interesting and instructive.

Aggregate foreign trade, 1899, \$381,517,236.00
Aggregate foreign trade, 1899, \$31,661,213.00

Increase in 1900, \$59,856,023.00
Imports for trade for consumption, 1899, \$180,864,316.00

Imports for trade for consumption, 1899, \$154,051,593.00

Increase in 1900, \$16,752,723.00
Exports of products of Canada, 1899, \$170,642,369.00

Exports of products of Canada, 1899, \$138,462,037.00

Increase in 1900, \$22,180,332.00
Exports of products of Canada, to Great Britain, 1899, \$96,562,875.00

Exports of products of Canada, to Great Britain, 1899, \$51,114,555.00

Increase in 1900, \$11,448,320.00
Exports, products of Canada to United States, 1899, \$59,666,556.00

Exports, products of Canada to United States, 1899, \$40,426,856.00

Increase in 1900, \$19,239,700.00
Exports, Canadian goods to all countries, 1899, \$24,580,266.00

Exports, Canadian mines to all countries, 1899, \$13,368,150.00

Increase in 1900, \$11,212,116.00
Exports, Canadian fisheries, 1899, \$11,169,083.00

Increase in 1900, \$9,069,662.00
Exports, Canadian forests, 1899, \$1,259,421.00

Exports, Canadian forests, 1899, \$29,663,668.00

Exports, Canadian forests, 1899, \$28,021,529.00

Increase in 1900, \$1,642,139.00
Exports, animals and their products, the produce of Canada, 1899, \$56,148,807.00

Increase in 1900, \$9,405,677.00
Exports, agricultural products, the produce of Canada, 1899, \$27,516,609.00

Exports, agricultural products, the produce of Canada, 1899, \$22,952,915.00

Increase in 1900, \$4,563,694.00
Exports, manufactured goods, 1899, \$14,224,287.00

Exports, manufactured goods, 1899, \$11,706,707.00

Increase in 1900, \$2,517,580.00

BRITISH IMPORTS.

In view of the discussions which have occasionally taken place in the house with regard to the increase of the imports from Great Britain, I have placed together the figures for a series of years.

1895	\$31,131,737
1896	32,979,742
1897	29,412,188
1898	32,979,742
1899	37,069,123
1900	44,789,730

It will be observed, Sir, that the imports from Great Britain had been declining steadily when the policy of free trade was adopted. That decline was immediately stopped, and from that time on the imports from Great Britain began to increase, so that now, as compared with 1897, they are advanced to the extent of about 50 per cent.

Statement showing Exports the Products of Canada for four years.

Four years	Four years
1895 to 1898	1899 to 1900
\$103,131,776	\$63,710,587
Mines, 11,615,754	42,234,729
Forest, 103,782,210	115,455,465

Animals and their products and agricultural products.

204,403,511	287,954,114
32,529,973	46,131,324
Miscellaneous	364,222

Can and bullion exported.

14,469,930	22,740,235
Total	\$422,960,376

Increases last four years, \$155,698,253

RATE OF TAXATION.

The question of the rate of taxation under the customs tariff has been frequently discussed, and perhaps a word or two concerning it based upon the figures of the past year, will not be out of place. It was to the advantage of the country to have a lower rate of duty, collected, we will find that the proportion of duty in 1896 on all imports for home consumption was 18.38, and by the same standard for 1900, it was 18.98, making a difference of 2.30 or 1.8 of the whole duty.

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